

# Programs Affecting Wetlands/Waterways

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Scope	Program/Law	Government Level
Laws with authority over activities in wetlands	Clean Water Act	Federal
	Section 404	
	Advanced Identification	
	Coastal Barrier Resources Act	Federal
	Coastal Zone Management Act & Program	Federal
	Endangered Species Act	Federal
	Executive Order 11990	Federal
	Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act	Federal
	National Environmental Policy Act	Federal
	National Flood Insurance Program	Federal
	Water Quality Certification	Federal
	Water Resources Development Program	Federal
	Waterways	Federal
	Wetlands	Federal
	Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Law	State
	Erosion & Sediment Control	State
	Forest Conservation Act	State
	MD Historical Trust	State
	Smart Growth	State
	Stormwater Management	State
	Threatened and Endangered Species Act	State
	Waterways & Floodplains	State
	Wetlands	State
	Harford County Zoning Code – Sec. 267-41, Natural Resources District	Local
	Howard County Subdivision and Land Development Regulations	Local
	Master Plan	Local
	Baltimore County Regulations for Protection of Water Quality, Streams, and Floodplains	Local
	Waterways & Floodplains	Local
	Wetlands	Local
	Zoning Laws (Miscellaneous)	Local

## Voluntary Programs

Technical and financial  
Assistance, various land  
Uses

Chesapeake Bay Program	Federal
Chesapeake Bay Trust	State
Coastal Wetlands Planning	Federal
EPA State Wetlands Programs	Federal
Development Grants	
Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration Act	Federal
Forest Stewardship Program	Federal
Forestry Incentives Program	Federal
Internal Revenue Code	Federal
International Ramsar Convention	Federal
Land and Water Conservation Fund	Federal
Migratory Bird Conservation Fund	Federal
National Estuary Program	Federal
Near Coastal Waters Program	Federal
North American Waterfowl Management Plan	Federal
North American Wetlands Conservation Act	Federal
Partners for Wildlife	Federal
Protection and Restoration Act	Federal
Stewardship Incentive Program	Federal
Surplus Federal Property Transfer	Federal
Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act	Federal
Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program	Federal
Buffer Incentives Program	State
Non-structural Shore Erosion Control	
Open Space	State
Rural Legacy	State
Small Creeks and Estuaries Reserve Program	State
Stream ReLeaf	State
Wetland Restoration Initiative	State
Woodland Incentive Program	State

Technical and financial  
assistance, agricultural only

Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program	Federal
Conservation Reserve Program	Federal
Emergency Watershed Protection Program	Federal
Environmental Quality Incentives Program	Federal
Farmers Home Administration	Federal
Swampbuster	Federal
Wetlands Reserve Program	Federal
Maryland Agricultural Water Quality Cost-Share Program	State
Native Warm Season Grasses Project	State
Agricultural Tax Incentives	Local

Technical Assistance Only

Backyard Conservation Program	Federal
BayScapes	Federal
Backyard Wildlife Habitat Program	Federal
Wild and Scenic Rivers	State

Technical and financial  
assistance, private

Chesapeake Bay Foundation	Private
Chesapeake Wildlife Heritage	Private
Ducks Unlimited Chesapeake Bay Initiative	Private

Planning Strategies

Emergency Wetland Resources Act	Federal
Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plans	Federal
Transportation Planning (ISTEA)	Federal
Special Area Management Plans	State
Tributary Strategies	State
Greenways Plan	State
Public Water/Sewer Plans	Local
Transferrable Development Rights	Local

Preservation

MD Environmental Trust	State
Conservation Fund	Private
Eastern Shore Land Conservancy	Private
The Nature Conservancy of MD	Private